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Generally, stability increases with increased molecular weight and decreases from n-esters to iso-esters. Aromatic esters are more stable than aliphatic.  $\text{EtOSiCl}_3$  (50 g), heated to  $100^\circ$  2 hours and distilled, gave, beside the unchanged material (75%), 7 g  $\text{SiCl}_4$  and 2.7 g  $(\text{EtO})_2\text{SiCl}_2$ . When  $\text{EtOSiCl}_3$  was refluxed 4 hours, gas evolution was noted (identified as  $\text{EtCl}$ ), while distillation of the residue gave 50% unchanged material, about 5 g  $\text{SiCl}_4$ , and 3 g  $(\text{EtO})_2\text{SiCl}_2$ .  $(\text{EtO})_2\text{SiCl}_2$  was unchanged after 2 hours at  $100^\circ$  or refluxing 4 hours.  $(\text{EtO})_3\text{SiCl}$  (80 g), heated to  $100^\circ$  2.5 hours, gave 3 g  $(\text{EtO})_2\text{SiCl}_2$ , 63 g starting material and about 1.5 g  $(\text{EtO})_4\text{Si}$ . When  $(\text{EtO})_3\text{SiCl}$  (30 g) was refluxed 6-7 hours, there was obtained essentially 100% disproportionation: 2.5 g  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ , 1 g  $\text{SiCl}_4$ , a small amount of  $(\text{EtO})_2\text{SiCl}_2$ , 12 g  $(\text{EtO})_4\text{Si}$ , and 40 g residue, from which it was possible to isolate some  $(\text{EtO})_6\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$ , by 150-70°C.  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{OSiCl}_3$  (20 g) after 4 hours at  $100^\circ$  gave 1.1 g  $\text{SiCl}_4$  and 4 g  $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{O})_2\text{SiCl}_2$ , besides 87-94% starting material.  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{17}\text{OSiCl}_3$  was unchanged after heating to  $100^\circ$ , but on refluxing 6 hours there were obtained from 13 g starting material 2.5 g crude  $\text{SiCl}_4$ , 2 g  $(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{17}\text{O})_2\text{SiCl}_2$ , and 2 g tar; the rest was unchanged starting material.  $(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{17}\text{O})_3\text{SiCl}$  is unchanged on

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heating to 100°, but after refluxing as above gave  $C_8H_9O$ , b 124-6°, tar, and  $(C_8H_9O)_2SiCl_2$ , beside the starting material; no tetraalkyl derivative was isolated.  $PhOSiCl_3$  (30 g) refluxed 5 hours gave a trace of  $SiCl_4$ , 28 g unchanged material, and about 1 g crude  $(PhO)_2SiCl_2$ .  $(PhO)_3SiCl$ , refluxed 5 hours, with continuous collection of low-boiling products gave 0.2 g  $SiCl_4$ , 0.3 g  $(PhO)_2SiCl_2$ , 35 g unchanged material, and 2 g  $(PhO)_4Si$ . Thymyltrichlorosilane (20 g) after refluxing 5 - 6 hours gave  $SiCl_4$ , unchanged material, and dithymyldichlorosilane. *o*-Methoxyphenyltrichlorosilane (30 g) refluxed 4 hours gave 0.8 g  $SiCl_4$ , unchanged material, bis- (*o*-methoxyphenyl) dichlorosilane (undistillable resin), and  $MeCl$ , besides a crystalline solid, isolated on standing, from material b 240-320°; the solid (no mp or yield given) is apparently a cyclic phenylenedioxydichlorosilane, as a result of loss of  $MeCl$  in an intramolecular reaction.

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